

Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC)
Meeting Minutes
September 26, 2003

1. Call to Order

Chair David Alfano called the meeting to order at 7:40 p.m.

Members Attending:

David Alfano, Michael Barnes, Cathy Baylock, Robert Cronin, Matt Grocott, Mike Harding.

There was no quorum for the meeting. Only Information Items were presented.

Staff/Guest Attending:

Sandy Wong and Geoff Kline - C/CAG Staff; Van Ocampo-City of Half Moon Bay, Jack Baumgarten-San Carlos B/PAC, Ahmad Sadighi-City of Daly City.

2. Public Comments On Items Not On The Agenda

None from the public.

Geoff Kline announced that from now on, Geoff Kline and Sandy Wong will be the C/CAG staff supporting BPAC instead of Walter Martone. Chairman Alfano expressed that Walter will be sorely missed, and that his past support has been greatly appreciated.

6. Bicycle Transportation Account (BTA) Project Solicitation.

The California Department of Transportation is currently accepting applications for the fiscal year 2004/05 Bicycle Transportation Account (BTA) cycle. Deadline to apply is December 1, 2003. Project applicants will submit applications directly to the Department, and C/CAG staff do not get to review them. Approval of project applications is at the discretion of Caltrans.

A 3-page attachment included in the meeting packet is to be used by San Mateo County project sponsors as part of their responses to the application requirements. These responses had been prepared by Walter Martone and apply to projects in San Mateo County.

A copy of an e-mail from Doug Johnson of MTC was handed out. It generated a discussion on the San Mateo County Bike Map. This map was prepared in 1991 and needs to be updated. Since the BPAC has been talking about taking on the task of updating the County Bike Map, it should be on a future meeting agenda for discussion. Geoff Kline asked if the group would like to request MTC to come speak in a future meeting. The decision was affirmative if the schedule permits.

7. Status of Current TDA Article #3 projects.

Geoff Kline gave an update on all the on-going TDA Article #3 projects. Van Ocampo of the City of

Pacifica gave an update on the Milagra Drive Overcrossing at State Route 1 repair project. Van stated that this project has finally received a permit from Caltrans and is ready to go. However, the project is partially funded by the Hazard Elimination Program (HEP). Therefore, it is awaiting funding authorization from the State, and hence awaiting authorization to advertise.

9. Next meeting date.

Since the Action Items on this meeting's agenda were not acted upon because of lack of a quorum, the next meeting is scheduled for October 23, 2003.

10. Member Communications.

Member Matt Grocott reported that he had a conversation with Rich Gordon (San Mateo County Supervisor) regarding the curve on Edgewood Road (the last uphill curve on the right hand side) and its potential hazard condition due to motorists' tendency to drive over the white line. He suggested to the County Engineer, Brian Lee, to put white flexible delineators on the Road at the curve to mitigate the sight distance issue. But Brian said that it was not a good idea because it's been tested at other locations such as Menlo Park and the white delineators were just driven over by cars and broken. The end result was that vegetation and bushes have been cut back to improve the sight distance.

A memorial bike ride leaving San Mateo Central Park will take place this Sunday, September 28, 03.

Geoff Kline announced that new member Richard Garbarino, elected official, has replaced member Karyl Matsumoto of South San Francisco. In addition, member Nick Kapp has decided to withdraw from the BPAC.

Geoff Kline shared an e-mail from member Sue Lempert who was unable to attend the meeting. Sue was very thrilled that the Belmont project and San Mateo Hillsdale Boulevard overcrossing project are included for bicycle and pedestrian safe passage in the Measure A reauthorization. She also felt the Ralston Ave overcrossing is critical, and stated that the BPAC has supported this with TDA funding in the past.

12. Adjournment

The meeting ended at 8:30 p.m.